

**Salient Issues
for Regional Administrator and Deputy Regional Administrator
Hazardous Site Cleanup Division**

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Region 3 Attends Community Meeting Regarding Blades, Delaware Drinking Water – On February 13, 2018, the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC, Division of Public Health (DPH), and the Town of Blades hosted a public information meeting at the Blades Fire Hall to provide updated information to residents about the town's interim drinking and cooking water while DNREC and DPH investigate elevated levels of Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) and Perfluorooctyl Sulfonate (PFOS) in the town's three municipal wells. The meeting, which had media presence, was used as a forum to discuss concerns of nearby residents who get their water from private wells and plans for Region 3 to sample those wells. Following an overview and update on the contamination, representatives from the state and town answered questions from concerned citizens about the status of their drinking water, the proposed treatment and flushing plan, and potential health impacts from PFOA/PFOS. Following the Q&As, private well owners were asked to review a map and sign-up to have their wells sampled by EPA if their homes are located within the proposed sampling radius. Region 3 began conducting community outreach and sampling private wells on February 15, 2018. (Amie Howell, 4-5722; Amanda Miles, 4-5557)

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